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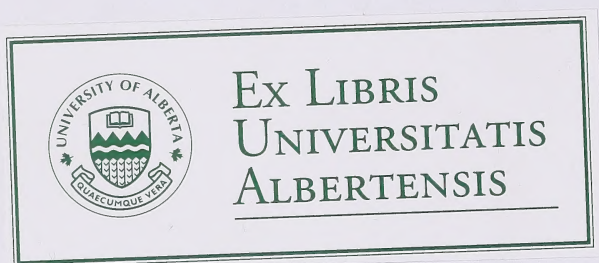
Social Studies 30

Part A: Written Response

Grade 12 Diploma Examination

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Description

Time: 2 hours. This examination was developed to be completed in 2 hours; however, you may take an additional ½ hour to complete the examination.

Part A: Written Response consists of an essay assignment worth 30% of the total Social Studies 30 Diploma Examination mark.

Evaluation: Your essay will be evaluated for

- Exploration of the Issue
- Defence of Position
- Quality of Examples
- Quality of Language and Expression

Do not write your name anywhere in this booklet. Feel free to make corrections and revisions directly on your written work.

Instructions

- You are to **take** and **defend** a position on **either** Topic A **or** Topic B. If you write on both topics, **only** the first will be marked.
- Be sure to **indicate your choice of topic** in the space provided on the **back cover**.
- You may use the following print or electronic references:
 - an authorized English and/or bilingual dictionary
 - a thesaurus
 - an authorized writing handbook
- Space is provided in this booklet for planning and for your written work.
- Use blue or black ink for your written work.

Additional Instructions for Students Using Word Processors

- Format your work using an easy-to-read 12-point or larger font such as Times.
- Double-space your final copy.
- Staple your final printed work to the page indicated for word-processed work. Hand in all work.
- Indicate in the space provided on the back cover that you have attached word-processed pages.

Written Response—Essay Assignment

Write an essay on **one** of the following topics. Be sure to indicate your choice of topic in the space provided on the back cover.

Topic A

Some people believe that governments have an obligation to provide all citizens with a reasonable standard of living. Others believe that individuals should be self-reliant rather than dependent on government support.

To what extent should individuals be self-reliant?

In your essay, take and defend a position on this issue.

Or

Topic B

Some people believe that nations should adopt policies designed to promote national interests. Others argue that the primary goal of a nation should be to advance international cooperation.

To what extent should nations promote their national interests?

In your essay, take and defend a position on this issue.

Reminders for Writing

- **Plan** your essay.
- **Focus** on the issue under discussion.
- **Establish** a clear position or thesis that will direct and unify your essay.
- **Organize** your essay in a manner that will best allow you to defend your position.
- **Defend** your position by using supportive and specific evidence drawn from your knowledge of social studies.
- **Edit** and **proofread** your writing.

Planning

Be sure to indicate on the back cover

- **your choice of topic**
- **whether you have attached word-processed pages**

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